Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/942,521	MINSEK ET AL.	
	Examin r	Art Unit	
	Cynthia Hamilton	1752	
The MAILING DATE of this communication appears All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIOF the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this app or other appropriate communication IGHTS. This application is subject to	plication. If not included will be mailed in due co	l ourse. <b>THIS</b>
1.   This communication is responsive to <u>amendment filed Octoor</u>	ober 22, 2003.		
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1,6,7,9-11 and 13-20</u> .			
3. The drawings filed on are accepted by the Examine	r.		
<ul> <li>4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority ur</li> <li>a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:</li> </ul>	nder 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).		
<ol> <li>Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> </ol>			
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International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).			
* Certified copies not received:			
5. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application) since a specific reference was included in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application Data Sheet. 37 CFR 1.78.			
(a) The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.			
6. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority up in the first sentence of the specification or in an Application	nder 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121 si	nce a specific reference	was included
Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of	this communication to file a reply contribution that the same this application. THIS THREE-MON	omplying with the require	ements noted
7. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be subminformal PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which give			TICE OF
<ul> <li>8. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") mus</li> <li>(a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftspers</li> <li>1) hereto or 2) To Paper No</li> </ul>		948) attached	
(b) ☐ including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed, which has been approved by the Examiner.			
(c) 🔲 including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No			
Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1 each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in t			ack) of
9.   DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the depo attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR T			ite the
Attachment(s)			
1 ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	5⊡ Notice of Informal Pa	itent Application (PTO-1	52)
2 Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	6⊡ Interview Summary (	PTO-413), Paper No	
3 Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08 Paper No	/ Examiner's Amendmi		
4 Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material	8⊠ Examiner's Statemer 9□ Other		nce
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## REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. Claims 1, 6-7 and 9-10 are directed to an allowable product. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Official Gazette notice dated March 26, 1996 (1184 O.G. 86), claims 11, 13-20, directed to the process of using the patentable product, previously withdrawn from consideration as a result of a restriction requirement, are now subject to being rejoined. Claims 11, 13-20 are hereby rejoined and fully examined for patentability under 37 CFR 1.104.

Since all claims previously withdrawn from consideration under 37 CFR 1.142 have been rejoined, the restriction requirement made in Paper No. 5 is hereby withdrawn.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Applicants addition of casting solvent being selected from the group consisting of gamma-butyrolactone, cyclopentanone, propylene glycol methyl ether acetate, cyclohexanone and methyl ethyl ketone to all of the composition and process claims limits the choice of casting solvent to one which is unobvious in view of the art of record, i.e. Janke et al (5,726,216) in view of applicants' disclosure of well know prior art on page 2 of their specification and Schrader (4,474,929) and Gelorme et al (4,882,245). Applicant's arguments with respect to the lack of motivation to make the combination of components without this casting solvent limitation are moot in view of no such claims being present in the application. There is no clear motivation in Janke et al to use any of the listed solvents with the mixtures they set forth.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cynthia Hamilton whose telephone number is (703) 308-3626. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 9:30 am to 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark Huff can be reached on 703-308-2464. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703 305 0661.

Primary Examiner Cynthia Hamilton November 6, 2003

CYNTHIA HAMILTON PRIMARY EXAMINER